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GUMPTION

Our Motto: One country, one flag, one wife at a time.
Our Aim: To tell the truth though the heavens fall.
Our Hope: To cure cussedness or kill the cusses.

By L. T. HOVERMALE.

THE "THIRD HOUSE."

What is alleged to have been the "Third House," or the group of lobbyists who are alleged to have shaped all legislation at the last session of the Kentucky General Assembly, is a source of danger to the government of the state. And while the activities of the Third House are kept under cover, and "ot known to the general public the effects of its power is seen in the legislation and the lack of legislation at Frankfort. The trail of the serpent is seen all along."

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The taxpayers are beginning to wonder why it was that the bills attempting to put a tonnage tax on coal were not permitted to be even reported from the committees to which they were referred. Those of the citizens who visited Frankfort during the session of the Legislature were amazed at the apparent control that was exercised by the Kentucky Jockey Club. And if, as it is charged, the coal interests and the race track gambling interests combined forces it is "ot so strange that the people were powerless in what is sometimes supposed to be the people's Legislature."

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The newspapers of the State are stirred up over some of the alleged deals that is claimed were put over by the combined efforts of the above named special interests, and next year those members who seek re-election are going to have some embarrassing questions put to them, and if their votes are recorded for the above-interests it is going to be mighty hard to explain away the motive for such votes. Morgan county is a legislative district of itself. Who ever seeks the Democratic nomination in this county will have to convince the people that he is not subject to the influences of the coal interests or the Kentucky Jockey Club. The Courier is going to see taht they come out o' these questions, and it will not support any one who is favorable to these sinister interests, either before or after nomination.

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In the first place, the pari-mutuel gambling law is in itself immoral, degrading and against public policy. That of itself is sufficient to induce all good people to oppose to oppose it. But the Jockey Club is not content with keeping its gambling privileges, but must set out to control all legislation of every nature. It was generally talked at Frankfort, around the Capitol, that all legislation had to be endorsed by the Jockey Club. The idea that a lot of race track gamblers can control the legislation of the State should be abhorrent to all good citizens, to say nothing of the humiliation of such a state of affairs. A State-wide effort should be made to get free from this bunch, and will be.

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The coal interests had their lobby there, too, and were powerful enough to prevent any legislation looking to the competing coal interests from paying a just tax on the producton of coal. When a Commonwealth gets so that the special interests are more powerful than the people it is time for the people to wake up to the fact and seek to remedy it. The alleged "fixing" of the Normal School locations is but a small share of the part it is said the racing and coal interests played in the last session of the General Assembly. It is doubtful if the interests above named were sufficiently interested in the location of the normal schools to meddle in it, but if they did it was because they felt that they were too firmly entrenched in power to be dislodged, and made a blunder.

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The school incident was only the occasion for the unleashing of the press of the State. It merely furnished and excuse for the demand for an investigation of the sinister activites of the coal interests and the race track gamblers. If the investigation is started and the probe made in earnest it may be that startling developments would result. It ought to be comparatively easy to find why the coal tax bills were pigeon-holed in committee and never had their first reading. A rigid search for the nigger-in-the-woodpile might disclose many things that would be interesting to the public. Just who compose the Third House would doubtless be equally interesting to the general public, and would doubtless astonish the average citizen who stays at home, obeys the law and pays his taxes.

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It would no doubt furnish an interesting study if it were possible to obtain a statement of the campaign donations of the Jockey Club to the candidates for Representative in the last election. It is claimed that this body of gamblers is not adverse to putting up for candidates on both sides during a campaign—to the Democrats thru its Democratic members and to the Republicans thru its Republican members. It plays both sides to play safe, and just the little matter of which party wins control of the legislature is of small moment in its young life. It has helped the winner.

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The remarkable thing about it is that the citizenship of the State seem indifferent to the situation. They know in a general way that this evil has a strangle hold on the State, but seem unconcerned about it. But let some man with sporting instinct be caught in a friendly poker game and the hue and cry goes and the officers are importuned to do their duty and save the boys, or let the festive "coons" be caught "olling the bones" and he must be

nabbed to uphold the dignity of the law. And the same people who demand that poker and craps be suppressed stand for a law to stay on the statutes giving the race horse gamblers the privilege to corrupt the youth of the land, and on crooked races, too.

What are YOU going to do about it when you vote next year?

LOCAL NEWS



He bought a "going concern,"

And piled his capital in;

Only too late did he learn,

The going concern was "gone."

Cadete Hable, of Louisville, is

visiting Drexel Moore this week.

Commonwealth's Attorney G. C.

Allen and Floyd Arnett are attending

week.

Will Steele and A. Y. Hovermale

left last Thursday for Columbus, O.,

to work.

The Knights of Pythias and the

Odd Fellows are to paint their hall

on Main street.

"Chig" Perry, of Quicksand, is

visiting here this week. There must

something attractive here.

T. J. Elam, of Florress, and Dr.

were in town Thursday to attend a

meeting of the directors of the Com-

mercial Bank.

Mrs. Willie Elam, Jr., of Winches-

ter, and family are visiting her par-

ents, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Wells

for a few days.

Rev. and Mrs. C. L. Wilson re-

turned Saturday from attending the

Methodist Conference whiles were held

at Harrodsburg.

W. M. Gardner returned last

week from a visit to his family at

Reeves, and left Sunday to attend

Circuit Court at Salyersville.

J. S. Stenner, of Mt. Sterling,

was in town several days this week

and last to organize a lodge of the

Modern Woodmen of America.

was in town Monday and Tuesday

and said that the people of that city

were very hopeful of securing the

state normal school, and that Mr.

Waller would still stand by them.

Evert Mathis, W. W. McGuire,

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J. W. Davis, D. R. Keeton, and J.

W. Coffey were among the attorneys

from here who attended the Magoffin

Circuit Court this week.

C. H. Keath, of Lexington, was

in town a few days this week. He

brought his radio outfit with him and

erected it and some of our citizens

enjoyed concerts being rendered at

distant places. New York was ill-

tempered to during the time.

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EXECUTION SALE

Morgan Circuit Court.

vs. Notice of Sale.

J. Franklin Robbins, Deft

Under and by virtue of Execution

No. 620, which issued from the Morgan

Circuit Court on the 25th day of

July, 1922, in favor of Sauford

Hillman, etc., I will on the 30th day of

October, 1922, expose to public sale

at the front door of the court house

in West Liberty, Ky., expose to public

sale to the highest bidder for

cash in hand, the following described

property, viz: A certain tract or

parcel of land lying and being in

Logan county, Ky., on the waters

of Smith's creek, a tributary of

Open fork of Paint, and further de-

scribed as follows: Bounded on

the north by the lands of E. Smith, and

on the west by the lands of George

Hillman, and on the south by the lands of

Henry Robbins, etc., by deep bearing date

of May 18, 1917, and recorded in

deed book No. 40 at page 87. Morgan

county court records. Or a suffi-

cient survey to make the sum of

\$80.00 so directed to be made, and

the costs of sale.

The purchaser will be required to

pay cash.

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The open-mouthed flapper on the new dollar is saying: "Good bye, Kid, I've got to be gone."



Strike Ended
Just as we go to press a telephone message comes that an agreement between the striking shopmen and the railroads has been reached and the strike ended. It is to be hoped that this is true.

VOTE FOR THE ROAD BONDS

Final Notice.

According to law it is the duty of the sheriff to kill all dogs found at large without the license tag. And all dogs, even after having been licensed, are not permitted to run at large. The law in regard to licensing the dogs is a law of the land and is intended to be obeyed, and since the Board of Health has announced an unusual amount of hydrophobia among the dogs it makes it imperative that the law be enforced. Get your license tag or expect your dog to be killed.

Respectfully,
D. H. PERRY, Sheriff.

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Office over Commercial Bank
West Liberty, Ky.

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Pomp, Ky.

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HALF SHEET THIS WEEK.

Our linotype operator left last week without notice and until we can get another we will have to do the best we can. The editor is all the "force" on the job now, but we hope to make different and better arrangements than we have ever had. Be patient with us.

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JUMPING AT CONCLUSIONS

We should not be too ready to jump at conclusions. Just now the press of the State is full of assertions that the fixing of the two normal sites was decided upon at the time the original bill was amended, had even before the names of the Commission were announced. The editor of the Courier made several trips to Frankfort during the session of the Legislature and heard these rumors, but knowing the majority of the men on the Commission it was hard to believe the rumor. As to whether Murray is the best or the worst place in western Kentucky I do not know, and am not willing to judge by that alone, but any impartial judge will agree that Morehead is not the most desirable location in eastern Kentucky. To decide on Morehead now, in view of the fact that it has less advantages than any other site, would strengthen the belief that the location of the schools was a political deal as charged. The W. C. B. M. school at Morehead has not been a financial success because that place has not been able to attract students. To locate a normal at a town that has signally failed as a school town under the most favorable opportunities would of itself direct grave suspicion toward the Commission. And if the eastern school is located at Morehead, after the Murray choice, it will be hard for the Commission to escape the odium that will attach. No amount of explaining will convince the people that the newspaper charges are not true.

But until the Commission does locate the school at Morehead—if it does—the Courier is going to believe that the Murray site was chosen on merit and that the Commission was not actuated by ulterior motives.

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THE BABY ACT.

It is more like the acts of babies or immature children to say that because we did not get the Normal School at the last meeting of the Commission that we should be against the road bonds. Neither the people of Mt. Sterling or the Big Sandy can help that. Ninety per cent of the people of Mt. Sterling are in favor of West Liberty having the School, and they are not responsible for the attitude of the Commissioner from that town. And while the completion of the road through here would be of great benefit to Mt. Sterling, it will benefit us vastly more. If we don't get the school let's vote the road bonds and get the road. A hard surfaced road will be of so much benefit to all the county that we can not afford to play the baby and lose.

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State Superintendent Colvin is to be commended upon his action in regard to the school fund. There has been too much "borrowing" from the school fund to keep up appearances in other departments, and every citizen of the State will endorse Mr. Colvin's action in forcing the State Treasurer to leave this fund intact for the purpose for which it is intended. The teachers receive little enough pay without being compelled to wait for their money which has been illegally used for other purposes.

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If gambling is wrong it is wrong and ought to be suppressed. The question of extending the Kentucky Jockey Club's gambling privilege is a question of right and wrong. The Louisiana Lottery was banished because it was gambling, though that institution offered to pay all the expenses of the State and give bonus besides. Yet that form of gambling was not as vicious as the race track gambling. The lottery was conducted on the level.

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Remember that the carrying of the road bonds will mean the expenditure of more than three dollars for each dollar we put up. And that money will be expended in the county. Besides, good roads will give us markets for all our farm products and bring freight rates down. You can not afford to vote against the bonds if you wish to see the county prosper. Vote for the bonds.

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Some of the Republican newspapers are giving it out that President Harding will retire to private life at the end of his term. Trust the newspapers to get the news while it is news. The people had already decided that Mr. Harding would retire, and the Republican newspapers show perspicuity in getting the news first.

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There has been some misapprehension concerning the right-of-way for the proposed road on Grassy creek. The Courier is reliably informed that every land owner on that creek, save one, has signed the right-of-way, and that these are filed with the Highway Commission.

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We are just wondering if Speaker Jim Thompson has any political aspirations. We hope he has.

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With the strike unsettled, the tariff bill passed the cost of living going up and wages going down, and the Normal Commission unable to agree, we are in the middle of a heluva fix.

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Will some advocate of the pari-mutuel gambling explain the difference between race track gambling and crap shooting? Why prefer one form of gambling?

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Anyway, Jim Thompson's vetoed tax bill will never make him Governor of Kentucky.

GRASSY CREEK

(Left out last week.) Late planted corn is being cut a little short as result of the drought, though early planted corn was just about matured when the drought set in. Everything considered, there will be a good average crop.

B. C. Lykins, of Ashland, is visiting relatives on Grassy at this time. The subject of the bond issue is being agitated to a considerable extent in some parts of the county, and why any one should oppose it I can not understand. Doubtless some oppose it who will not have to pay a single penny of it, while many of the wealthiest men in the county are for it. Some will oppose it for no other than it was not located to go past their house. However, they will not offer that as their excuse and will deny that that is their reason. I live two miles from the line of the road, and if I lived ten miles I would vote for the bonds. We can't expect the road to run by all our doors.

The engineers who located the road presumably located it for the best interests of the county in general and every one can afford to be for the bonds. Farmers, lawyers, doctors will all be benefitted by the good roads. The building of the road will give every man who wants to work a job that he could not get otherwise, therefore the working man who votes against the bonds will be voting to deprive himself of a good job. Is there an enterprising citizen, viewing the matter from a business standpoint, who can conscientiously vote against the bond issue? I think that some of Morgan county's most eloquent speakers should make a speaking campaign throughout the county to fully explain the intent and benefits of the proposed bond issue, as a great many do not understand the issue. I voted for the other proposed tax and I am for the bonds.

(This week's letter.)

B. C. Lykins, of Ashland, who has been visiting relatives on Grassy and Little Caney, has returned home.

Mr. and Mrs. James Motley, of Winchester, are visiting old friends on Grassy this week.

Mr. J. C. Givelon, of Lenment, made a brief trip to Grassy last week to see his folk. He has returned to his job.

Died on the 17th inst. the little 3 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Peyton. She died almost suddenly and it is not definitely known what was the cause. Her remains were laid to rest in the Grassy Creek cemetery in the presence of a large crowd, Eld. J. F. Walter conducting the funeral services.

Rolly Givelon, of Lenment, made a hurried visit to see his father and mother last week, but has returned to his business.

Born, the 11th inst., to the wife of E. J. Lykins, a 12 pound girl.

If you want to do your county a good turn, it will be appreciated by all, vote for the road bonds.

FAIRPLAY.

(Left out last week.)

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Bailey have been visiting the latter's mother, Mrs. Laura Linkous, at Maytown.

J. S. Bailey, who has been sick with ever, is able to be out again.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hanes are the happy parents of a nine pound boy.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. McGuire, of Amoret, Mo., are visiting relatives at their place and West Liberty. They plan to return via Burridge, Pikeville, Ashland and Mt. Sterling.

Otis Myhner, of Danville August 29, from fever. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Myhner and was 20 years of age. He will be greatly missed by all his friends. The funeral services were conducted by Pastor Albert Williams.

J. H. McGuire and wife visited his nephew, Omer, who is very sick.

Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Sexton visited Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Barker Friday.

BROWNIE.

(Left out last week.)

Joe Hutton's house and most of his household goods burned Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Nickell, of West Liberty, visited the former's mother, who is very ill, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Val Nickell of Illinois, are visiting relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Abe Spradling, of Lenment, are visiting the latter's mother, Jim Neff.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Ward, of Pekin, visited the latter's brother, Jim Neff, Saturday night.

Coy Rowland, of Middletown, O., is visiting his father, J. M. Rowland. Misses Golden Back and Ophelia and Ezra Back left Monday to attend school at Hazel Green.

Mr. and Mrs. Elias Dehuk and sister, Mrs. J. H. Murphy, this week.

Chester Pomerat of Middletown, O., is visiting his mother this week.

Manford Blam and Edgar P. Palmer left Wednesday for Middletown, O.

Sylvia, little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Easterling, is very ill.

JUNE.

(Left out last week.)

Mrs. John McGuire and children, of Cincinnati, who have been visiting her mother, Mrs. Will Klemard, returned home Monday.

Miss Lucile Little, who has been visiting relatives at Fair Grove and Barlow, Ill., returned home Tuesday, accompanied by her nephew, Chalmers

McClure and Jim Romans.

Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Lucy and children are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Garland Hurt, at Guinane.

Mrs. Eddie Brown, of Lickburg, spent Saturday and Sunday with her sister Mrs. Urlab Griffiths.

Jim Romans and Chalmers McClure, who have been visiting their grandmother, Mrs. W. B. Little, returned to their home at Fair Grove, Ill., Sunday.

Mrs. Nancy Howard and Robert Elam, of West Liberty, and Mr. and Mrs. Will Kash, of Ezel, attended church here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. T. Little and sons, Refford and Woodford, of Wells, were the guests of his mother, Mrs. W. B. Little, Sunday.

DIXIE.

(Left out last week.)

A large crowd from this place attended the camp meeting at Cannel City, Bro. Chapel delivered some fine sermons, but he received a telegram on Friday before the meeting closed to come home on account of sickness at home. He was greatly missed, but Bro. Green Atten conducted the meeting to a close and also delivered some fine sermons.

J. R. Vaneen is reported to be improving very slowly at present.

Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Holliday and little daughter, Lena, attended church at Cannel City Sunday and were dinner guests with Riley Benton, of Coney.

Sam Burton visited his daughter, Mrs. Warren Peyton, at Zag last week.

Charley Whitley, of Cannel City, was the guest of friends here last week.

Oron Henry, of Gullett, was the guest of friends here Sunday.

Success to the Courier.

BLUE EYES.

(Left out last week.)

Mrs. Nancy Bishop, of Dayton, O., has been visiting in this section for some time.

Mrs. Lou Burnett visited her sister, Mrs. Grace Murphy at Maytown last week.

Donovan Bishop returned Thursday from Mt. Sterling where he has been visiting his sister, Mrs. Lee Rose, for several days.

N. M. Robbins and wife and Mrs. L. C. Ratliff attended the Association on Elk Fork Saturday and Sunday and report a fine time.

A pipe line is being laid from the gas wells near here to intersect with the main line at Flat Woods.

W. H. Goveden, of Ashland, was calling on the J. E. Fugate Store Co. Wednesday. "Will is an old schoolmate and it was good to shake his paw."

Mrs. Pearl Hale and little son, Alex, of Middletown, Ohio, are visiting J. A. Hale and family.

If we can't get graded roads all over the county in one year that is no reason why we should not at least get one good highway through the county, and thereby open up an avenue for transportation of all surplus products to the blue grass markets. Then from year to year we could build roads from all parts of the county, intersecting with the main trunk lines.

Then the farmer would have every incentive to produce a surplus as he could get a ready market.

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ough understandin' 'n a livin' fact.

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Harbingers of Prosperity — The cow, sow and hen are getting more recognition at this time than they have ever received, and they are a trio that will bring prosperity if we will only stay with them long enough

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Our Pest Contest

I am the guy who lives next door. The women my praises sing galore. I do all the work around the house To keep in right with my wedded spouse.

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Selfish desire is best described as hein' the inside dope on modern business methods.

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The shivering little redashes, they cluster close together, and in a crowd they cry aloud, "dad burn the dad burned weather."

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Remember the tired girl that usas work for 50 cents a week and took the 50 cents out in clothes?

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Terrible State—"Mayor of Evansville, Ind., and prominent furniture manufacturer, died following a short illness." —Furniture Journal.

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Live and learn seems to be a problem for which a lot of people can't find solution.

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Little Pansy Peepish says that the last quarrel her parents had was when the pipe burst in the bathroom and mamma said she wished she had married a plumber instead of a jockey lawyer.

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It must be a shock to a bobbed-haired girl to meet her tresses coming down the street "switched" to another person's head.

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One advantage of prohibition: It don't cost so much for a person to drink himself to death.

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"Man can make more money at anything than a woman," wagers C. N. Nickell. We'll take the bet for thirty-seven simoleons and designate mannequin as the test.

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"I am just waiting for my husband to complain about my extravagance this month."

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"Ready to give him an argument are you?"